GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:521
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OUTSTANDING DUES AGAINST PRIVATE AIRLINES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether many private airlines have not paid dues to the Airports Authority of India (AAI);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/being taken by AAI to recover the outstanding dues from the private airlines?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a), (b) & (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No.521 dated 10.5.2007 regarding Outstanding Dues against Private Airlines.

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. Details of dues (Rs. in lakhs) outstanding from various private airlines as on 31.12.2006 are as under:-

Air Deccan - 3312.44, Air Sahara - 1340.66, Cosmic Air Private Limited - 63.46, Go Air - 663.76, Inter Globe Aviation (Indigo) - 101.58, Jagson Airlines - 196.86, Jet Airways - 2617.91, Kingfisher Airlines - 2281.38, Paramount Airways - 376.91, Spicejet - 602.76, Continental Aviation Private Limited - 130.16, East West Airlines - 1530.76, Elbee Airlines - 111.86, Garg Aviation - 61.00, NEPC Airlines - 347.05, Skyline NEPC - 168.97, VIF - 24.80, Bengal Air - 69.55, MESCO - 368.22, Rajputana Aviation - 4.00 and others 191.84.

(c) : Outstanding dues against operating airlines include current dues. Airports Authority of India (AAI) is holding security deposits for allowing credit facilities to these airlines. In case of default the security deposits would be encashed. As regards outstanding dues against non operating airlines, AAI has initiated action through legal proceedings, Arbitration and Public Property Eviction (PPE) Act to recover the dues.